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Applicant:	Billiard <i>et al.</i>	Examiner:	Xie, X.
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For:	A NOVEL METHOD FOR MODULATING BONE-RELATED ACTIVITY		

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Sir:

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT**

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement mailed December 28, 2006, Applicant respectfully elects Group III (claims 20-27), drawn to a method of screening for agents. In addition, Applicant elects Ror2 as the species of Ror (claim 23), and Ror autophosphorylation as the species by which Ror activity is detected (claim 25). The species election is for searching purposes only. If the elected species is found patentable, Applicant requests that all species within the generic claims be considered.

Applicant submits that the present Response being filed on Monday, January 29, 2007, is timely and does not require an extension of time for responding because the deadline for responding, January 28, 2007, fell on a Sunday. Therefore, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.7(a), a response may be timely filed on the next succeeding day which is not a Saturday, Sunday, or a federal holiday.

Applicant thanks the Examiner for careful consideration of this case. Please charge any fees that may be associated with this matter, or credit any overpayments, to our Deposit Account No. 03-1721.

Respectfully submitted,

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